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MEMORANDUM FOR:	OGC						
SUBJECT:	Clarification of "Two Years Continuous 25> Service Abroad"	(1					
l. Attached is a copy of a dispatch on the above subject, in which is quoted a ruling by the Office of General Counsel. It is felt that the conclusion reached in the final paragraph is based on a false premise.							
2. According to the Federal Personnel Manual, Leave Without Pay does not constitute a break in continuous government service. It would appear, therefore, that it should not constitute a break in the continuity of service abroad, but would, when taken in the field or under emergency conditions in the United States, merely extend the tour beyond two years for a period equal to the amount of IWOP.							
3. It is requested that further study be given to the effect of Leave Without Pay on two years continuous service abroad and that a ruling be given us at the earliest possible date.							
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Attachment:

1 - Copy of Dispatch